

NSC BRIEFING

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MALAYA

I. Malaya, jungle war against Communist terrorists continues, but recent Communist Party bid for peaceful settlement brings Communist situation there largely into political arena and into conformity with world-wide Communist policy.

A. Bid timed to coincide with first national election in Malaya (27 July) and with efforts to unseat new moderate government in Singapore.

B. British rebuff of Communist bid can be used to promote anti-British sentiment.

1. Already leaders of Alliance, combined Malaya-Chinese party which is expected to win elections, have announced willingness for peace terms with Commies.